Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, we recommend the pay scales of Rs. 1350—2200 for posts in the scale of Rs. 330—560 and the scale of Rs. 1400—2600 for posts in the scales of Rs. 425—640 and Rs. 455—700. For the posts in the scale of Rs. 550—750, we recommended pay scale of Rs. 1640—2900.

(b) According to information received from Ministry of Railways, revised scales as recommended by the Fourth Pay Commission have been allotted to the Pharmacists in Railways with effect from 1-1-1986 as under:—

Pre-revised scales	Revised scale
Rs. 330—560 .	Rs. 1350—2200
Rs. 455—700 . .	Rs. 1400—2600
Rs. 550—750 . .	Rs. 1640—2900

The pre-revised scale of Rs. 425—640 was only a non-functional selection grade which got liquidated in the restructuring of the cadre done with effect from 1-1-1984. The per cent distribution of posts in the various scales of Pharmacists continued to be the same in the corresponding revised pay scale.

(c) In the pre-revised scales of pay, the posts of Pharmacists under Central Government (except Railways) were in the scales of Rs. 330—560 and Rs. 425—640. Consequent upon the acceptance of the fourth Central Pay Commission's recommendations, the Pharmacists working in Central Government Hospital/Delhi Administration etc. were given the following pay scales :—

Pre-revised scale	Revised scale
Rs. 330—560 . .	Rs. 1350—2200
Rs. 425—640 .	Rs. 1400—2600

Since there were posts in the scale of Rs. 550—750 in the Railways for which Pay Commission recommended Rs. 1640—2900, this recommendation was implemented by the Ministry of Railways. However, there are no posts in the pay scale of Rs. 550—750 in Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and as such the question of giving revised pay scale of Rs. 1640—2900 in this case does not arise. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has also not received any proposal from the Hospitals run by Delhi Administration and New Delhi Municipal Committee, Municipal Corporation Delhi etc. for upgradation of posts in the higher scale.

Derailment of G. T. Express

2227. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK :
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Indian Express dated 26th February, 1988, wherein it has been stated that the G.T. Express was derailed near Nagpur on 25th February, 1988;

(b) if so, what was the estimated loss of life and property involved in the said derailment;

(c) what were the causes of the accident; and

(d) whether any inquiry has since been conducted and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In this accident, 1 person lost his life and 8 suffered injuries. The loss to railway property is estimated at Rs. 6,00,700/- (approx.)

(c) and (d) Enquiry into the accident is being done by the Commissioner of Railway Safety, Western Circle.

His report is awaited.